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DEVICE FOR DETECTING A FINGER-
PRINT, ELECTRIC APPARATUS AND
DOORKEEPER APPARATUS

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of October 10, 2001,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 5, between lines 18 and 19, insert the following:

--FIG. 7 is a further view of the device of FIG. 1
showing movement of the projection below the detent.--

Page 9, rewrite the second paragraph, beginning on line
15, as follows:

--On the other hand, a click impression or a feeling of
engagement from the lock mechanism 8 can inform the user whether
the pressure of the fingertip is sufficient or not. In other
words, a user can adjust the pushing power of the fingertip until
the click impression is obtained. Until the click impression is
obtained, the user continues to push the contact surface 6 and
may increase the pressure. Thus, the click impression notifies

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